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Dear Senator LeBeau, Representative Perone, Senator Frantz, Representative Lavielle and members of the Commerce Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity today to testify in support of **Senate Bill 282 AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEVELOPMENT OF A CONNECTICUT ANTIQUES TRAIL**.

This bill would continue the process to establish a Connecticut Antiques Trail that has been in the works for a few legislative sessions already. In 2009 I worked with the Department of Transportation to approve signage along Interstate 84 and local antiques dealers in my district have been putting up their own signs.

I think it is time for the state to step in and move this process forward. I believe this initiative can provide a benefit not just for my district but for the entire region. Similar to the Connecticut Wine Trail, the Connecticut Antiques Trail would help connect antiques dealers with antiques enthusiasts from both outside the state and within the state.

Thank you again for allowing me to testify on this bill and for considering this legislation.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rob Kane".

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